

Claims

1. A gas bag restraint device, comprising

a gas bag module which has a gas bag (3) and a covering cap (9) tearing open on inflation of said gas bag (3),

5        said covering cap (9) covering a ring-shaped outlet opening (18) for said gas bag (3) and having a central section (46), which in an opened state of said gas bag module is surrounded by said outlet opening (18),

characterized in that said central section (46) is delimited by a ring-shaped, peripherally closed tear line (48) of radially outwardly adjoining sections (44) of  
10        said covering cap (9), said tear line adjoining an inner edge of said outlet opening (18).

2. The gas bag restraint device according to Claim 1, characterized in that said tear line (48) defines said inner edge of said outlet opening (18).

3. The gas bag restraint device according to Claim 1, characterized in that  
15        said central section (46) is constructed so as to be rigid.

4. The gas bag restraint device according to Claim 1, characterized in that said central section (46) is at least partially covered externally by a separate plaque piece (60).

5. The gas bag restraint device according to Claim 4, characterized in that  
20        said tear line (48) immediately adjoins an outer edge (66) of said plaque piece (60).

6. The gas bag restraint device according to Claim 4, characterized in that said plaque piece (60) fastens said central section (46) and prevents it from a free movement as said covering cap (9) is opening.

7. The gas bag restraint device according to Claim 6, characterized in that said plaque piece (60) has a depression (80) at its rear side, into which a bead-like extension (70) of said central section (46) projects.

5 8. The gas bag restraint device according to Claim 6, characterized in that said central section (46) has a mounting opening (62) for said plaque piece (60) and can be placed from above onto said plaque piece (60) such that an inner edge of said central section (46) snaps in place underneath a laterally projecting edge (66) of said plaque piece (60).

10 9. The gas bag restraint device according to Claim 4, characterized in that said covering cap (9) adjoins said plaque piece (60) externally in a substantially flush manner.